

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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COMMISSIONER

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To: County Administrators/City and Town Managers

Subject: FY 2012 Revenue Sharing Program Approval

At its June 15th meeting, the Commonwealth Transportation Board approved allocations for the Fiscal Year 2012 Revenue Sharing Program. The list of approved projects can be found on our website at: http://www.virginiadot.org/business/local-assistance.asp. You will note that funding for these projects is split between FY 2012 and FY2013. Due to the change in legislation this year, sufficient funding had not been budgeted in FY 2012 to fully fund the amounts being recommended. Therefore, the Commonwealth Transportation Board approved the utilization of a portion of next year's allocation, together with this year's for a total \$103.4 million program. This provides up to \$5 million per locality for project requests that meet the priority criteria specified in the *Code of Virginia*. Your local VDOT representative will be contacting you regarding the next steps to ensure that these projects begin moving forward successfully, such as executing or modifying agreements, or requesting your locality's matching funds if applicable. This year's funding arrangement will not impact your ability to proceed with your project.

As we have previously communicated, the Department will be implementing its first deallocation process this year. This is based on the language in the *Code of Virginia* which states that "any revenue-sharing funds for projects not initiated after two subsequent fiscal years of allocations may be reallocated at the discretion of the Commonwealth Transportation Board." This provision is intended to ensure funds are utilized in a timely manner. If you have funds subject to deallocation, your local VDOT representative should be contacting you in the next few weeks to discuss this and provide you with an opportunity to review available options to possibly avoid forfeiture of these funds. A copy of the Revenue Sharing deallocation process is also available on our website.

The Department looks forward to working with you on the Revenue Sharing Program during the upcoming months. If you have any questions about the program please consult your local VDOT representative or contact VDOT's Revenue Sharing Program Manager, Debbi Webb-Howells, at (804) 786-1519 or by email at Debbi.Webb-Howells@VDOT.Virginia.gov. I can also be reached at (804) 786-2745 or by email at Michael.Estes@VDOT.Virginia.gov. Again, thank you for your efforts in helping make the Revenue Sharing Program a success this year.

Sincerely,

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